

Governor DICKENS is not a candidate for the United States Senate.

The switchmen in the terminal railroad yards in St. Louis are out on a strike.

Just as might have been expected, there is a call for another democratic convention in Ohio.

The Butler Democrat announces that Judge DeArmond is a candidate for United States senator.

The recent discovery of high grade lead ore has created quite an excitement in Missouri county.

The hot, dry weather seems to have no terrors for the "marked copy," at least there is no evidence of it.

About 75,000 employees of the big steel trust went on a strike the first of last week. They are holding out for the employment of organized labor.

Editor R. P. CARUTHANS of the Dunklin Democrat gave his readers a lengthy, interesting, article last week, descriptive of the Pan-American Exposition.

It is feared that much distress and suffering will follow the opening of the Indian country to actual settlement. Many thousands are on the ground who cannot possibly obtain claims, many of whom have little or no means of subsistence.

Ohio democrats consider Bryan a "has been." They are about right. —Bonne Terre Democrat-Register. Yes, and next fall Ohio democrats will elect the usual number of "also rans" too, who will make good members of the "has been" gang, while Mr. Bryan will continue to enjoy the confidence of a large number of his countrymen.

The ringing support given Judge L. Fort by the bars of the different counties comprising his judicial circuit, and the strong enthusiastic endorsement of the press of South Missouri, together with a strong personal following, certainly makes Judge Fort a very strong candidate for the nomination for a place on our Supreme Court bench. Is the law seeking the man?

The Caruthersville Journal, Delong's new paper, published at Caruthersville, came to our desk last week marked X7. Well, now that kind of trade there is certainly no reason why we should object. The Journal is what we expected it would be—first class. The Journal will find its way to the people and will be appreciated.

The Jackson Cash-Book is opposing a proposition to bond that city for \$6,000 to be used for street improvements. Brother McGuire seems to think they would be in better business prospecting for silver than the thing Marble Hill ought to do. With the easterners all out dry, if a fire should break out there would be no possible means by which the flames could be checked.

The Kansas City Times charges the board of railroad and warehouse commissioners, who met in Kansas City recently for the purpose of organizing testimony and inquiring into the proposed Frisco-Memphis railroad consolidation, of some very serious actions. From the statements made by the Times, instead of taking testimony they refused to take a single sentence, but simply had a private consultation with the owners of the roads, brought their deliberations to a close and took a train on a south bound train. Such a proceeding causes the people to lose confidence in their public servants.

Southwest Missouri: There are many democrats who do not read anything that Mr. Bryan says or does, who think he is a man of many ideas; who read nothing that republican and prejudiced democratic papers say about him; who look upon him as a has-been, a broken-down politician, a crank, all these sort of things. But they are mistaken. He is certainly a man—intellectually, morally, in every other sense, he is a man of broad views upon every subject. He is not a crank; he has no intention to become president, but does, and will have something to do in the formation of the principles of the party. He is yet a leader, does not believe that free silver is an issue with the party, but that the question of imperialism is the paramount issue at this time, is not likely to decrease in importance.

Thousands of people are suffering

not only inconvenience but physical want and deprivation, in the effort to secure a few acres of the land, much of it poor and practically worthless, which the government is about ready to open for settlement in Oklahoma. And in the end fully four-fifths of those who have watched and waited, toiled, struggled and starved for a slice of the new Eldorado, will be doomed to disappointment, and will again turn their faces to the world with envy in their eyes and despair in their hearts. Some will be driven to desperate crimes, while others will plod aimlessly on toward a small final homestead in God's acre. And to think that here in sunny Missouri there are better homes to be had at less cost!—Caruthersville Democrat.

A Washington dispatch, dated July 14th, quotes Secretary Wilson of the Agricultural Department as follows concerning the drought: "There is not yet cause for general alarm. Throughout the corn belt the drought has not yet been severe enough to seriously effect the corn. Hot weather is not damaging to corn at this season. For myself I think we will have plenty of corn in this country."

Of course the Secretary of Agriculture is not supposed to know anything about the real condition of crops in this country, but he ought to have manhood enough about him to not allow a lot of stock gamblers in New York city to induce him to send such a statement out over the country. One has but to read the daily papers to see how the buying and selling by the gamblers on Wall street and elsewhere is effected by the reports sent in as to the crop conditions of the country. The Secretary of Agriculture no doubt stands to gain considerably in one way or another, or else he would not send out such a statement as the above. However, there is probably some truth in the last sentence above quoted: "I think we will have enough corn in this country—for my self."—Cash-Book.

**Noted Fruit Sections.**  
The greatest fruit producing section in the United States is southern California, with an output of citrus fruits, oranges and lemons, for the year beginning November 1, 1900, of a maximum estimate of 18,000 cars and a maximum estimate of 23,000 cars. Probably 20,000 cars is about the right figure.

The second largest fruit producing section is the Chautauque-Erie grape district with an output in 1899 of 8,000 cars. This includes fresh grapes and grape juice but not fermented wine. This district includes part of two counties in Western New York and one county in Northwestern Pennsylvania.

Third in rank in fruit shipments is the prune output of California which for 1899 was 5,711 cars of ten tons each. Following this, an industry sixteen years old, is the California raisin industry which in 1899 amounted to 3,578 cars.

The target single strawberry section is in Northwestern Arkansas and Southwestern Missouri. We cannot give the total cars. One county in Virginia and Oswego county, New York, are also strawberry centers of national reputation. The largest single peach orchards are found in Northern Georgia, but the total output from the state will not equal that from Michigan, the southern part of the state taking the lead. St. Joseph and Benton Harbor being leading shipping points.

In apples, a few counties bordering on Lake Ontario, have perhaps the largest output, although the largest single apple orchards are found in Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas.

Pears, plums and quinces do not seem to be exclusively grown in any one section to the extent to give that section a national reputation. New Jersey and California are each large pear growers.—National Nurseryman.

A few days ago, we were handed a copy of a small pamphlet sent out by the Southeast Missouri Mining Manufacturing and Developing Co., in which the following appears: "The mineral wealth of Southeast Missouri is as yet scarcely known. During the past twelve months however great strides have been made looking to early development. Lead, zinc, copper, etc., abound in inexhaustible quantities. In every instance where intelligent investigation has been made, results have proven satisfactory beyond the most sanguine expectations. The company has been most fortunate in securing leases and options on a large acreage of land in Bollinger County a few miles west of

Jackson, Missouri, where the massive limestone outcrops and the disseminated lead ore is visible in many places. These lands are in direct line southeast of the Madison County lead deposits, and only a few miles distant therefrom; the same character of rock and surface indications abound. Prof. Gallabert, late State Geologist made two visits to these mines, and from samples of mineral taken by himself and assayed, averaged 87 per cent lead, and so reported to Hon. A. J. D. Burford, Burfordville, Missouri. There is now one drill in operation on property adjoining within 100 feet of the company's property.

The company also owns the fee simple title to other real estate upon which is found large deposits of lignite coal, saline substances, outcroppings of Trenton limestone and indications of oil. The company will proceed at once to develop its properties by procuring all necessary machinery, and calling to its aid skilled workmen and scientific investigation."

The executive officers are Hon. A. J. D. Burford, President, Burfordville, Mo., P. H. Felker, Vice-President, St. Louis; Prof. T. E. McNeely, Secretary, Jackson; H. R. English, Treasurer, Jackson. The capital stock of the company is \$80,000 upon which they claim that they realize a net income of more than ten per cent.

**Promising New Journal.**  
"Good Times" is the name of a new 16 page monthly, the first number of which comes with the current month from Columbus. It is departmental in character but some of the matter in its columns evidences originality and enterprise on the part of the management. The first number contains no advertising and seemingly no haste is exhibited in the cultivation of this field, though the steps which are being taken to establish circulation are such as will shortly make its advertising space in great demand.

Judging from its appearance and announced policies it will follow the success and we venture to predict that it will shortly be pre-eminent in the field of low priced monthlies.—CITY REPUBLICAN.

Mass. Burford, and a number of others are searching a cave on Elevenpoints for a hidden treasure, which they think, beyond doubt, was put there many years ago by the Indians. Just within the entrance of this cave is to be found a large turkey's track out in the solid rock, with the middle toe pointing to a certain point in the wall of the cave. At different places on the sides and overhead can be seen, cut in the rocks, forms of human beings, bows and arrows, darts, etc., all pointing at the same place. Some time since the exploring party sent for the Rev. Dr. Curry of Christie, Mo., to come and read the hieroglyphics, and as the Doctor could not come he sent another man, whom he said he had taught to read this strange writing. The man who came told Mr. Burford that there was another branch of the cave the opening into which had been carefully closed and cemented in such a clever way as to make it hard to enter, and that within this cavern was hidden a large amount of gold in bars. The party has now gone far enough to prove several statements made by the interpreter, and they have great faith in finding the gold.—Birch Tree Record.

**The Drought.**  
The Post-Dispatch of the 12th instant contained the following estimate of crop losses on account of the drought: Kansas; \$200,000,000; Missouri; \$100,000,000; Wisconsin; \$15,000,000; Nebraska; \$11,000,000; the Dakotas and Minnesota, \$25,000,000. From other sources, comes the assertion that the loss will exceed the entire cost of the Civil War.

While these estimates are perhaps overdrawn, and especially is the latter, it is plain to see that the damage is enormous—exceeding any similar experience that this country has ever known. And while we have little faith in the common belief that man's doings or misdoings has anything to do with the fulfillment or non-fulfillment of Nature's laws, if it be possible that God Almighty scourged these of old time for their sins, if he chastised former generations by means of drought and famine, why may he not repeat? But few peoples of earth were ever more corrupt than are the money changers of America. Gambling in stocks and bonds, bribing courts and juries, setting at naught the long-established principles of our sacred constitution; these and a thousand other forms of evil crime were land. Then why should we not, as a nation, be punished by the hand that so bountifully gives while we are so wicked and so ungrateful?—Lead Bolt News.

**Bitter Rot of Apples.**  
The Missouri State Fruit Experiment Station is conducting experiments in several orchards in South Missouri for the purpose of preventing the disease known as bitter rot of apples by the use of bordeaux mixture. The trees have been carefully sprayed throughout the season, and the value of this mixture for the purpose will be thoroughly tested again.

Last year this Station carried on spraying experiments for the prevention of this disease, and the results show that bitter rot can be largely prevented by later spraying with Bordeaux mixture, and it is recommended now that the

growers spray their trees for this disease. Owing to the extreme drought that has prevailed over practically all of South Missouri this season there has been but little danger from the disease up to the present time, however, apples affected with it have been found in a few orchards. As soon as the rains come it is probable that the disease will spread, should the weather be hot, and if this mixture is kept on the apples and trees from now until gathering time much loss may be prevented. It is probable that fully fifty per cent of the apple crop last year was lost owing to this disease. It is important that our fruit growers be on the lookout for it, and check it should it appear.

In several of the experiments that are being carried on by the Experiment Station the apples on the sprayed plots were rusted considerably by the Bordeaux mixture owing to the repeated spraying without any rains intervening. In the Station spraying experiments last year the last application was given to the trees the 2d of August. This year some of the plots will be sprayed later, probably up to September 10th.

Bordeaux mixture consists of fresh lime and copper sulphate in the proportion of five pounds of fresh lime and five pounds of copper sulphate to fifty gallons of water. Care must be taken in preparing the mixture and applying it, especially at this season of the year. The Station will be glad to furnish complete directions for making this mixture to all who desire them.

JOHN T. STURGEON,  
Director.  
July 20, 1901, Mountain Grove, Mo.

#### Educational News Items.

The first uniform examination for teachers' certificates in the state was held June 21st and 22d. Notwithstanding it was the first, the character of the questions, the recommendations as to the manner of conducting examinations, the excellent judgment displayed by the county examining boards and the carefulness in grading have been subjects of universal commendation. Whatever of mistake was made by him who prepared the questions, by examining boards in grading or fixing time limits, or by nervous teachers with largely disappear as all parties become more accustomed to the new regime.

At the next regular examination for teachers' certificates, held Aug. 23d and 24th teachers will have opportunity of having papers written then, and grading 90 or more, forwarded to the State Superintendent of Public Schools and of having all papers graded and recorded to the credit of the teacher. All such grades will be taken in lieu of examination in those subjects should a state certificate be applied for within a year.

There are fully 3000 Missouri teachers in summer schools this year. The managers of the State educational institutions and the best endowed schools have wisely thrown their doors open to teachers during the months that teachers can best use them. It is well known that State Superintendent Carrington has had much to do in bringing this about. He hopes that the time is not far distant when the summer institute will be of the past and that county and other local pedagogical societies will be organized to take its place, that these meetings will be held from time to time during the school terms instead of in the vacation months.

Never before have teachers been so much stimulated to higher preparation for their duties. The State Superintendent holds out every possible inducement. More than one hundred teachers recently took examination for state certificate at Columbia. Other state examinations will be held as follows: Warrensburg July 31st and August 1st; Kirksville August 1st and 2d; Cape Girardeau August 2d and 3d; Springfield August 1st and 2d; Carthage August 25th and 27th; Kansas City August 28th and 29th; Moberly August 30th and 31st; Jefferson City August 28th and 29th.

The National Educational Association at its recent session in Detroit made strong declaration of principles. Superintendent Carrington was one of the nine members of the committee on resolutions and is responsible for the following statements: (1) "The public school should be the center of the educational life of the district. The public library, extension courses for both old and young, literary and social meetings should be vital parts of the school work"; (2) "The public school system should be a unit from the kindergarten to the University and all private and endowed institutions should work in harmony with the ideals of public education so far as is consistent with the purposes for which established."

#### M. S. A. Announcement.

The Board of Trustees takes pleasure in announcing to the public that Prof. F. J. Hendershot of Michigan, has been elected principal of the Mayfield-Smith Academy for the next session, beginning the first Monday in September, 1901. Professor Hendershot is highly recommended as a scholar and a gentleman, and is one of the best institute workers of his state.

JOHN S. LAKE, President.  
JOHN E. BOW, Sec.

#### Our Correspondents.

OLAN ALLEN.  
After a week's absence I will write again.

Items are scarce.  
George Burns went to Flat River Monday.

Miss Anna Nelson is sick at this writing.

Miss Ollie Watkins gave a party last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McGlothlin are the happy parents of a fine boy which arrived at their home July 13.

Mr. Urban Gibbs went to Ark. Monday.

Everette Zimmerman is sick this week.

Miss Pearl Denton is visiting at Clay City, Ill.

D. C. Zimmerman is hauling bolts to this place.

BLUE BELLS.

INSTITUTE ITEMS.

The enrollment of the Institute has reached 90 or more, the largest Institute ever held in this county.

The work is progressing nicely under the able management of Profs. Caldwell, Farrar and Lutes.

Among those enrolled as members of the Institute this week are: Misses Mae Grant, Maude Conrad, Mexico Finney and Messrs. R. H. Tinnin, A. H. Ashcraft, A. E. Upchurch, J. M. and N. P. Chostner and Thomas Haddock.

On last Friday morning Prof. A. M. Hay of Brunot, Mo., a graduate of Central College, while enroute to the Pan-American Exposition, visited our Institute and gave the teachers an excellent address on education. Prof. Hay is by nature an orator of ability. Those who were fortunate enough to hear him were greatly benefited and speak in the highest praise of him.

Quite a number of our teachers attended church at Lutesville Sunday night and heard Mrs. Williams preach.

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LUTESVILLE LOCALS.

M. Owens, Jr., and wife went to Leopold Sunday.

Mr. Myers of Buchanan, was in town on business Monday.

Miss Hattie King returned home from Fredericktown Monday, where she has been visiting the past month.

L. T. Kinder went to St. Louis Friday on business.

Will Bowman, of near Burfordville, is visiting in town this week.

J. H. Hess and family were visiting in the country Sunday.

George C. Lassie and wife were visiting at Gravel Hill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frost of Morley were visiting in Lutesville Sunday.

Miss Myrtle Lutes returned home Sunday from Lulu, where she has been visiting for the past month.

W. C. Longdon has been in Gravel Hill.

John Bullock of near Gravel Hill visited here Sunday.

Master Norman Johnson of Bloomfield, is spending a few days with relatives here.

R. W. Tucker and wife of Lulu, are visiting relatives here. Mrs. Tucker's health is very poorly and came up for some of old Billings' fresh air.

Several car loads of melons have gone up.

Monday was Lutesville's warmest day.

Snider and wife attended the picnic at Snider's Mill last Saturday.

Geo. reported the largest crowd present he ever saw at a picnic.

The jury of award of the dairy division of the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo N. Y., decided that Missouri butter had scored eight awards over the dairy states of the west and had made the highest score of any of the eastern states, except New York and New Hampshire, which in one instance only have exceeded Missouri by only one-fourth of a point.

The highest award goes to H. C. Goodrich, of Calhoun, Henry county, whose score was 97 1/2 points out of a possible 100. The success of Missouri butter at the Pan-American is sure to give a great impetus to butter making in this state and prepares the way for a grand exhibition of dairy products at the great Missouri State fair to be held at Sedalia, September 9-13.

The large cash premiums offered for dairy products at the Missouri State fair is certain to attract one of the finest and largest displays ever seen in this country, that of the Pan-American not excepted. The first premiums range from \$10 to \$20 while \$5 is the lowest prize on the list. The superintendent of the dairy department of the fair is M. E. Moore, of Cameron, Clinton county, who will supply Missouri butter makers with such information they may desire.

Each representative and senator of the Missouri Legislature is entitled to appoint two young men from his county as cadets in the Missouri State Military School. This appointment means to the young man appointed a most excellent military training, a good suit of clothes, and exemption from the payment of the fee of \$5. However, if the appointment is not made before August, the legislator is allowed to appoint anyone from any part of the State. The Department is now in excellent condition. Last year the enrollment reached 232 cadets who were formed into battalion of four companies. The exercises of the cadets on public occasions give an added attraction to college life at the State's greatest educational institution.

#### Southeast Notes.

Advance needs a back says the "Post."

The Dunklin County Fair will be

held October 9, 10, 11 and 12, 1901.

Advance Post: D. K. Westenhaver tells us that the wheat in his part of Bollinger county is ranging close around the twenty bu mark.

Charles Dobbs, 17 years old, while hunting turkeys a few miles south of Dexter, July 16, mistook his mother, who was picking berries, for a turkey and shot and killed her.

Caruthersville Democrat: There is an editor over in Scott county who "deals in law, land and stock" and who fixes clocks and does many other things. That fellow should start to work of his own.

Caruthersville Democrat: The Marble Hill Press is a punctual sheet.

The same to you for the Democrat, and more. We enjoy its regular twice a week visits.

Standard county has about seven newspapers, the first issue of the latest, the Advance Post, was sent out week before last. The Post is a neat sheet by Connelly & Brannock and is printed at the Bloomfield Vindicator office.

Another costly wreck occurred near Diehlstadt July 16. A south bound local freight broke in two without the knowledge of the crew and the two ends collided demolishing seven empty cars. No one was injured beyond severe bruises.

Fredericktown Democrat-News: If all reports are true there is a person in this city who needs the services of a vigilance committee to handle a black snake whip on him. Reports have it that he gave his wife an unmerciful whipping one day last week. This matter should be thoroughly investigated by the authorities and the man punished to the full extent of the law.

Charleston Enterprise: The poultry and egg product for 1900 was 40 per cent of the cattle, and 50 per cent of the hog product; it exceeded the wheat product by over 35,000,000, and equaled the product of coal, lead and zinc combined. The total of all products was \$147,595,000 and poultry and eggs amounted to \$12,700,000 in round numbers.

Fredericktown Democrat-News: Young Boon, the young man who was arrested at DeSoto last week for beating his board bill at the Madison house, was brought back and fined \$20 and put to work on the street with a ball and chain; he refused to work and got very rumbunctious, but a diet of bread and water furnished by his host, the sheriff, brought him to time.

passing through town recently sold county clerk J. H. Gassaway a horse for \$45 and one to blacksmith George Pearson for \$16. In a short time a man came from Randolph county, Ark., claimed the horses as stolen property, finally proved them to be such and took them away. Now the boys are contending with each other over the loss of their money.

Dunklin Democrat: Ellis & Ellis, of Baltimore, will have an exhibition at the St. Louis Fair a stick of red oak, 50 feet long, 23 feet 5 inches in circumference at one end and 21 at the other. The tree from which the stick will be cut is now the largest known red oak standing in the world. It measures 85 feet around the base. It is located in a forest on Black river, forty miles from Newport. In order to get it from the Black river to St. Louis it will be pontooned a distance of nearly 800 miles, as it is too long to be carried over by rail. This piece of timber will cut 20,000 feet of lumber.

**Probate Court Docket.**

List of Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Curators who are required to exhibit their accounts for settlement, on the day named below, at the August term, 1901, of said court, to be begun and held at the courthouse in Marble Hill, Bollinger county, Missouri, commencing Monday, August 12, 1901.

MONDAY, FIRST DAY.

Estate. Adm'r, Guardian, etc. Atchison, Joseph L. R. C. Walker, guardian. Bidwell, Lucetta Chas. Bidwell, adm'r. Baker, Elizabeth Wm. Burdum.

TUESDAY, SECOND DAY.

Cook, Jesse D. et al. John M. Pair, guardian. Chas. Lewis, adm'r. Sad Cary.

CRANE, EARLY H. W. K. Chandler.

CRIDER, JOHN W. C. W. & O. Crider, adm'r.

THURSDAY, FOURTH DAY.

Newel, M. L. et al. L. Page, guardian. Nelson, Wm. W. H. Hess, adm'r. Newel, M. L. J. M. Teeters.

FRIDAY, FIFTH DAY.

Proctor, Rebecca John M. Roe, adm'r. Taylor, Della M. J. V. Silsard, guardian. Yount, Willie C. E. Beck.

All Administrators, Executors and Guardians whose names appear in the above list and those continued at the last term of this court, must appear and make settlements on their respective days according to requirement of law and save costs.

DAVID C. CLIFFARD,  
Judge of Probate.

sale in stores, but every lady in this vicinity can obtain a set of these Solid Cheesee Silver Teaspoons warranted to wear twenty five years, without paying a cent. Write for this free offer at once, before it is withdrawn. Quaker Valley Mfg. Co., Morgan and Harrison Sts. Chicago.

P. S.—Cut this notice out and return it with your request.

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION.**  
In the Circuit Court of Bollinger county, Missouri, September Term, 1901. Order of Publication by the Clerk in vacation.

Joseph M. Bowman, plaintiff, vs. Anna Bowman, defendant. Civil Action for Divorce.

On this 13th day of July, A. D. 1901, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause before the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Bollinger county, Missouri, in vacation, and files his petition, and affidavit stating among other things that the above named defendant, Anna Bowman, is not a resident of this state. It is therefore ordered by the Clerk aforesaid in vacation, that publication be made notifying her that an action has been commenced against her, by petition, in the Circuit Court of Bollinger county, Missouri, by the plaintiff in the above entitled cause the object of which is to obtain a decree divorcing plaintiff from her, the said defendant, because of such indignities offered him by her as to render his condition intolerable. That unless she, the said defendant, be and appear at the next term of said court to be held at the courthouse in the town of Marble Hill, within and for the county of Bollinger, aforesaid, on the second Monday of September next, A. D. 1901, and on the first day of said term and answer or plead to the petition aforesaid, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment rendered accordingly. It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published according to law in the MARBLE HILL PRESS, a weekly newspaper printed and published in the county of Bollinger aforesaid.

SAM J. MCMINN, Clerk of Circuit Court.

A true copy of the record remaining on file in my office.

In testimony whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix the seal of said court at my office in Marble Hill, in the county and state aforesaid, on this 13th day of July, A. D. 1901.

SAM J. MCMINN, Clerk Circuit Court, Bollinger county, Mo. By CHAS. O. HOBBS, Deputy Clerk.

#### A Great Newspaper.

The Sunday edition of THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC is a marvel of modern newspaper enterprise. The organization of its news service is world-wide, complete in every department. In fact, superior to that of any other newspaper.

The magazine section is illustrated in daintily tinted colors and splendid halftone pictures. This section contains more high-class literary matter than any of the monthly magazines. The fashions illustrated in natural colors are especially attractive.

**Much Reading for Little Money.**

The New York World has got the cost of printing down to a minimum. Its latest offer of its monthly newspaper magazine is interesting if from no other cause than that it shows the sense of "how much for how little."

The Monthly World is a 32-page magazine with colored cover. Its pages are about the size of the pages of the Ladies' Home Journal, and it is copiously illustrated in halftone.

The illustrations are the result of the best artistic skill, aided by the latest printing press appliances, making a magazine unrivaled in the quality of its contents and its appearance.

Each issue contains stories of romance, love, adventure, travel, stories of fiction and fact, stories of things quaint and curious, gathered together from all over the world; the results of scientific research, and editorial reviews. It numbers among its contributors the leading literary men and women of the day.

A feature each month is a full-page portrait of the most famous man or woman of the moment in the public eye.

In collecting and preparing for publication the literary matter and art subjects for the Monthly World no expense is spared.

The New York World will send six numbers of this newspaper-magazine on receipt of fifteen cents in stamps. Address The World, Pulitzer Building, New York.

#### A Most Liberal Offer.

All our farmer readers should take advantage of the unprecedented clubbing offer we this year make, which includes with this paper The Kansas City Live Stock Indicator, its special Farmers' Institute Editions and The Poultry Farmer.

These three publications are the best of their class and should be in every farm home. To them we add, for local, county and general news, our own paper, and make the price of the four one year only \$0.80.

Never before was so much superior reading matter offered for so small an amount of money. The three papers named, which we club with our own are well known throughout the West and commend themselves to the reader's favorable attention upon mere mention. The Kansas City Live Stock Indicator is the great agricultural and live stock paper of the West; The Poultry Farmer is the most practical poultry paper for the farmer, while The Special Farmers' Institute Editions are the most practical publications for the promotion of good farming ever published. Take advantage of this great offer, as it will hold good for a short time only. Samples of these papers may be examined by calling at this office.

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